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YAOUNDE--APOLLO-SOYUZ MISSION FRONT-PAGED JULY 15 EDITION  
DAILY CAMEROON TRIBUNE, COVERED JULY 16 AND DISAPPEARED FROM  
VIEW TODAY (17). JULY 15 ARTICLE HEADLINED "ESPACE: FIN DE LA  
GUERRE LARVEE," SUBTITLES "TODAY THE MEETING OF APOLLO-SOYUZ;  
A MARRIAGE FOR WHAT?" COVERED 1 1/4 PAGES AND USED FOUR PHOTOS,  
TWO FROM USIS. ARTICLE COVERED PREPARATIONS FOR VOYAGE AND  
PURPOSE OF MISSION; QUOTED KENNEDY'S 1961 CONVICTION THAT MAN  
WOULD BE ON THE MOON WITHIN A DECADE AND DISCUSSED BOTH RUSSIAN  
AND US SPACE EXPENDITURES AND CONCLUDES THAT THE MISSION SERVES  
TWO PURPOSES: "A PAGE WILL BE TURNED IN THE HISTORY OF THE SHARP  
BATTLE BETWEEN AMERICANS AND SOVIETS IN SPACE (SINCE DETENTS IS  
THE "VIRUS" WTCH SPARES NO SECTOR)" AND WILL SERVE AS A TEST  
FLIGHT FOR "FUTURE RESCUE MISSIONS BETWEEN SPACE SHIPS,  
WHICH IS THE PURPOSE OF FIVE OF THE 27 EXPERIMENTS THE  
TWO TEAMS WILL EXECUTE."

IN SIGNED ARTICLE "A SUMBOL OF THE CONTRADICTIONS OF  
OUR TIMES" LOCAL JOURNALIST WONDERS ABOUT THE VALUE OF IT  
ALL: "WHEN WE LOOK AT THE AMOUNT OF MONEY SPENT ON THE APOLLO-  
SOYUZ, IT MAKES US DIZZY. IS SUCH A SUM JUSTIFIABLE?" CONTINUES  
THAT QUESTION IS VALID IN TIME OF NATURAL CALAMITIES AND DROUGHT  
IN VARIOUS REGIONS OF WORLD.

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"THIS FLIGHT, AS PRECEEDING ONES, WILL NOT IMMEDIATELY

BENEFIT MANKIND. PERHAPS IT NEVER WILL. SINCE THE DEBUT OF  
THE SPACE ERA, MANKIND HAS REAPED FEW BENEFITS. FLIGHTS HAVE  
BEEN LAUNCHED TOWARD THE MOON AND TOWARDS OTHER PLANET,NE-R-9K-TRW4KFI"B/QFUU2.666863E-78\*\_02-<!/PUJFXT# 6"  
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